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From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE  
COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

To:

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10 August 2000 (10.08.00)

Applicant's or agent's file reference

G-22 (KASEI)

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

International application No.

PCT/JP00/00515

International filing date (day/month/year)

31 January 2000 (31.01.00)

Priority date (day/month/year)

01 February 1999 (01.02.99)

Applicant

TEIJIN CHEMICALS, LTD. et al

1. Notice is hereby given that the International Bureau has communicated, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this Notice:

US

In accordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present Notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time:

EP

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a copy of the international application (Rule 49.1(a-bis)).

3. Enclosed with this Notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 10 August 2000 (10.08.00) under No. WO 00/46024

## REMINDER REGARDING CHAPTER II (Article 31(2)(a) and Rule 54.2)

If the applicant wishes to postpone entry into the national phase until 30 months (or later in some Offices) from the priority date, a **demand for international preliminary examination** must be filed with the competent international Preliminary Examining Authority before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to monitor the 19-month time limit.

Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination.

## REMINDER REGARDING ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE (Article 22 or 39(1))

If the applicant wishes to proceed with the international application in the **national phase**, he must, within 20 months or 30 months, or later in some Offices, perform the acts referred to therein before each designated or elected Office.

For further important information on the time limits and acts to be performed for entering the national phase, see the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy) and Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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## NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.2)

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Date of mailing: 10 August 2000 (10.08.00)	
International application No.: PCT/JP00/00515	Applicant's or agent's file reference: G-22 (KASEI)
International filing date: 31 January 2000 (31.01.00)	Priority date: 01 February 1999 (01.02.99)
Applicant: EKINAKA, Tatsuya et al	

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:

☒ in the demand filed with the International preliminary Examining Authority on:  
09 June 2000 (09.06.00)

☐ in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:

2. The election ☒ was  
☐ was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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**Translation**

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference G-22 (KASEI)	<b>FOR FURTHER ACTION</b> See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT IPEA 416)	
International application No. PCT JP00 00515	International filing date ( <i>day month year</i> ) 31 January 2000 (31.01.00)	Priority date ( <i>day month year</i> ) 01 February 1999 (01.02.99)
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC B32B 27 00, 27 30		
Applicant TEIJIN CHEMICALS, LTD.		

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.
2. This REPORT consists of a total of 3 sheets, including this cover sheet.  
  
☐ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).  
  
 These annexes consist of a total of \_\_\_\_\_ sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability: citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☐ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☐ Certain observations on the international application

Date of submission of the demand 09 June 2000 (09.06.00)	Date of completion of this report 13 February 2001 (13.02.2001)
Name and mailing address of the IPEA JP	Authorized officer
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## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International application No.

PCT/JP00/00515

## I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **elements** of the international application:\*

- ☒ the international application as originally filed
- ☐ the description:  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the demand  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the claims:  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, as amended (together with any statement under Article 19  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the demand  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the drawings:  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the demand  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the sequence listing part of the description:  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, as originally filed  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the demand  
pages \_\_\_\_\_, filed with the letter of \_\_\_\_\_

2. With regard to the **language**, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language \_\_\_\_\_ which is:

- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
- ☐ the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
- ☐ the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and or 55.3).

3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
- ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
- ☐ The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
- ☐ The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

4. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the claims, Nos. \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the drawings, sheets fig \_\_\_\_\_

5. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)) \*\*

\* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rule 70.16 and 70.17).

\*\* Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

# INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International application No.

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## V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability: citations and explanations supporting such statement

### 1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-18	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	3,5,10-12	YES
	Claims	1,2,4,6-9,13-18	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-18	YES
	Claims		NO

### 2. Citations and explanations

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-9, and 13-18

Document 1 (JP, 59-109528, A) cited in the international search report describes a molded resin product with a protective surface comprising a base material, an acrylic undercoating layer, and an organosiloxane overcoating layer that contains colloidal silica (Claims).

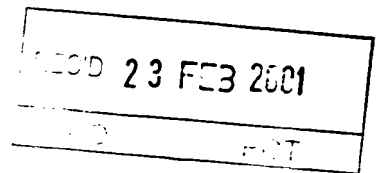
Although document 1 does not describe the specific substance that is used as the organosiloxane that contains colloidal silica, document 2 (JP, 9-11405, A) describes a plastic molded body with a protective surface in which the surface layer consists of organosiloxane containing a specific colloidal silica, and it specifically states that this improves resistance to wear (Claims, Effect of the Invention).

This being the case, persons skilled in the art can easily apply technology described in document 2, which belongs to this same field of technology, to further improve the surface properties of the invention described in document 1 by utilizing an overcoating layer consisting of organosiloxane containing a specific colloidal silica.

Furthermore, this examination finds no particular outstanding effect provided by this invention.

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国際予備審査報告

(法第12条、法施行規則第56条)  
〔PCT36条及びPCT規則70〕

出願人又は代理人 の書類記号 G-22 (KASEI)	今後の手続きについては、国際予備審査報告の送付通知(様式PCT/ IPEA/416)を参照すること。	
国際出願番号 PCT/JP00/00515	国際出願日 (日.月.年) 31.01.00	優先日 (日.月.年) 01.02.99
国際特許分類 (IPC) Int. Cl7 B32B27/00、27/30		
出願人 (氏名又は名称) 帝人化成株式会社		

- 国際予備審査機関が作成したこの国際予備審査報告を法施行規則第57条 (PCT36条) の規定に従い送付する。
- この国際予備審査報告は、この表紙を含めて全部で 3 ページからなる。  
☐ この国際予備審査報告には、附属書類、つまり補正されて、この報告の基礎とされた及び/又はこの国際予備審査機関に対してした訂正を含む明細書、請求の範囲及び/又は図面も添付されている。  
(PCT規則70.16及びPCT実施細則第607号参照)  
この附属書類は、全部で            ページである。
- この国際予備審査報告は、次の内容を含む。  
I ☒ 国際予備審査報告の基礎  
II ☐ 優先権  
III ☐ 新規性、進歩性又は産業上の利用可能性についての国際予備審査報告の不作成  
IV ☐ 発明の単一性の欠如  
V ☒ PCT35条(2)に規定する新規性、進歩性又は産業上の利用可能性についての見解、それを裏付けるための文献及び説明  
VI ☐ ある種の引用文献  
VII ☐ 国際出願の不備  
VIII ☐ 国際出願に対する意見

国際予備審査の請求書を受理した日 09.06.00	国際予備審査報告を作成した日 13.02.01	
名称及びあて先 日本国特許庁 (IPEA/JP) 郵便番号100-8915 東京都千代田区霞が関三丁目4番3号	特許庁審査官 (権限のある職員) 平井 裕彰 電話番号 03-3581-1101 内線 3431	45 9633

## I. 国際予備審査報告の基礎

1. この国際予備審査報告は下記の出願書類に基づいて作成された。(法第6条(PCT 14条)の規定に基づく命令に応答するために提出された差し替え用紙は、この報告書において「出願時」とし、本報告書には添付しない。  
PCT規則70.16, 70.17)

☒ 出願時の国際出願書類

- ☐ 明細書 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 出願時に提出されたもの  
明細書 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 国際予備審査の請求書と共に提出されたもの  
明細書 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 \_\_\_\_\_ 付の書簡と共に提出されたもの
- ☐ 請求の範囲 第 \_\_\_\_\_ 項、 出願時に提出されたもの  
請求の範囲 第 \_\_\_\_\_ 項、 PCT 19条の規定に基づき補正されたもの  
請求の範囲 第 \_\_\_\_\_ 項、 国際予備審査の請求書と共に提出されたもの  
請求の範囲 第 \_\_\_\_\_ 項、 \_\_\_\_\_ 付の書簡と共に提出されたもの
- ☐ 図面 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ/図、 出願時に提出されたもの  
図面 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ/図、 国際予備審査の請求書と共に提出されたもの  
図面 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ/図、 \_\_\_\_\_ 付の書簡と共に提出されたもの
- ☐ 明細書の配列表の部分 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 出願時に提出されたもの  
明細書の配列表の部分 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 国際予備審査の請求書と共に提出されたもの  
明細書の配列表の部分 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ、 \_\_\_\_\_ 付の書簡と共に提出されたもの

2. 上記の出願書類の言語は、下記に示す場合を除くほか、この国際出願の言語である。

上記の書類は、下記の言語である \_\_\_\_\_ 語である。

- ☐ 国際調査のために提出されたPCT規則23.1(b)にいう翻訳文の言語  
☐ PCT規則48.3(b)にいう国際公開の言語  
☐ 国際予備審査のために提出されたPCT規則55.2または55.3にいう翻訳文の言語

3. この国際出願は、ヌクレオチド又はアミノ酸配列を含んでおり、次の配列表に基づき国際予備審査報告を行った。

- ☐ この国際出願に含まれる書面による配列表  
☐ この国際出願と共に提出されたフレキシブルディスクによる配列表  
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4. 補正により、下記の書類が削除された。

- ☐ 明細書 第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ  
☐ 請求の範囲 第 \_\_\_\_\_ 項  
☐ 図面 図面の第 \_\_\_\_\_ ページ/図

5. ☐ この国際予備審査報告は、補充欄に示したように、補正が出願時における開示の範囲を越えてされたものと認められるので、その補正がされなかったものとして作成した。(PCT規則70.2(c) この補正を含む差し替え用紙は上記1.における判断の際に考慮しなければならない、本報告に添付する。)

V. 新規性、進歩性又は産業上の利用可能性についての法第12条（PCT35条(2)）に定める見解、それを裏付ける文献及び説明

1. 見解

新規性 (N)	請求の範囲	1-18	有
	請求の範囲		無
進歩性 (IS)	請求の範囲	3, 5, 10-12	有
	請求の範囲	1, 2, 4, 6-9, 13-18	無
産業上の利用可能性 (IA)	請求の範囲	1-18	有
	請求の範囲		無

2. 文献及び説明 (PCT規則70.7)

・請求の範囲1, 2, 4, 6-9, 13-18について

引用文献1 (JP59-109528, A) には、基材／アクリル下塗り層／コロイダルシリカ含有オルガノシロキサン上塗り層からなる、表面を保護された樹脂成形品が記載されている（特許請求の範囲）。

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## REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

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### Box No. I TITLE OF INVENTION

SURFACE-PROTECTED TRANSPARENT PLASTIC COMPOSITE MATERIAL

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### Box No. IV AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE; OR ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as:

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☐ common representative

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